7/26/77, Dear Howard,

Tells you how I'm feeling. Your 7/19

I saw a good local doctor this a.m., got about as much reassurance as he can give, then this afternoon took less of a wlak than before and had a different and disconcerting reaction that lingered. I'm anxious for Monday to come when I have an appointment with a real specialist. Good enought to have been called in or a surgical consultation with Nixon.

Too early for weeks bed and I'm not concentrating well enough for other work so I'm catching up on small things.

I received several other FOIA things from you. They called for no comment.

If Jim has had any contact with a nice woman in the DJ Office of Legal Counsel office I do not recall his telling me about it.

He seems to be working well with a woman in the FOIA litigation unit. She is to become head of that litigation unit. Axelrad is moving to torts.

I hope that what this means is that those who are in DJ and closer to the word from the AG's office have come to believe that maybe he means what he said May 5.

It is Jim's belief that she really would like to work things out and get this long and nasty King case over with.

This part, the stipulations to which I've made some additions, really seems to have started with an FBI supervisor. He had put much time in on this, had been getting what you have seen is some pretty hard stuff from me, and then got a dose of the AUSA in court June 30. He started working on stipulations the next day, after a rough session ne and two of his and an FBI OLC type. He came to realize with a Vaughn v Rosen facing him that he had to and that he had to bypass the hardhead, hardmouthed AUSA to do it. We think he may have. Then Dugan can fight for the regular divisions. And they can dance the Vaughn v Rosen tune.

They, meaning Jim, this woman, Lynne & Zusman and an OPR person, are meeting on the stipulations Tursday. Jim has come to see that aside from what he has gotten, which we should have gotten in 1996, nothing remains but what is covered by 1996. He may work out a deal to dismiss that case if they'll stipulate to supply in mine. If OPR does not want to do it there seems to be little point in going there except to perhaps get a feel.

There is no rush on the affidavit. Jim will say when there is.

Lil is over-working to retype a very long affidavit for 226. I have to move that from where it is and where Jim and I are. I think I probably sent you a copy of what I wrote him on this. I have a faith in the making of records that lawyers, from a long tradition of corrupting, misusing and failing to make records, do not share. If there is a record it can be used. If there is no other course, make a record. If the record is made, try to use it. If nothing else Dave will use this one.

Lil has just quit for the night. More than 180 paragraphs retyped so far. I'd have liked to have cross-referenced them but there was no time. Not quite a dozen and a half exhibits. I think some may attract a little judicial attention and that they are relevant.

Glad you are so happy uin your new job, with its nice typewriter.

Best,

Hope Duane is happy in his, too.